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Special Points

- * 10 Commandments for Parents of Youth Showing Livestock
- * Definition of Success
- * Important Club Dates to Remember!
- * CalFocus Delegate's Project
- * More Camp Pictures
- * Caring Adults Wanted!



4-H - "To Make the Best Better"

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2007 4-H SUMMER CAMP!

by Willa Davis

As they say, "A picture is worth a thousand words." Enjoy a sampling of these "words" that tell of the fun, learning, and creation of memories by the more than 80 4-H members, adult and teen leaders, and staff who attended this year's Summer Camp. Plan now to attend next year's "fun in the sun" so you, too, can enjoy:



Wild Things



Fun camp counselors



Competing in Olympic Games



Singing at Campfire



Dressing up for the
costume contest



The Cook's great food



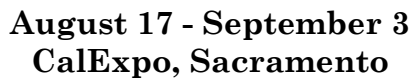
Having another great year at Camp!

All photos courtesy of Steven Sanchez



August 1 - August 5

*Attend to see the sights, cheer on our members
who are displaying their still exhibits and
showing their animal projects.
Most of all, ENJOY!*



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The dates have been set for the 2007 / 2008 New Leader Orientations. All orientations will be held at the 4-H office. *It is mandatory that all adults assisting with the operation of a 4-H unit be certified before they begin working with members.*

- * A completed Adult Volunteer Application.
- * Live Scan fingerprinting & background check.
- * Attendance at a New Leader Orientation on:

Sat., April 5, 2008, 10:00 am

HELP RECRUIT CARING ADULTS AS LEADERS!

Questions? Contact Sandy Sathrum @
sksathrum@ucdavis.edu or (707) 445-7351

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2007
Potluck @ 6:00 PM, Presentations @ 7:00 PM

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR PARENTS OF YOUTH SHOWING LIVESTOCK

1. Thou shalt not feed, train, and care for the animal for thou are trying to teach thy child responsibility.
2. Thou shalt forgive a child for making mistakes in the show ring for thou hast made mistakes too.
3. Thou shalt not get mad when thy child forgets items in the show box, for one day thou may forget the show box.
4. Thou shalt help the show management for they are doing a job that thou would not want to do.
5. Thou shalt see that thy child is on time for all activities for thou would not want to wait for others.
6. Thou shalt make sure thy child has animals entered and registration papers in order by the designated time.
7. Thou shalt teach thy child that winning a blue ribbon is a desirable goal but making friends along the way is a more worthy goal.
8. Thou shalt not complain about the judge for it is his/her opinion that has been sought.
9. Thou shalt remember that livestock projects are teaching projects, not necessarily moneymaking projects.
10. Thou shalt remember that the livestock project is a family project that shall be enjoyed and supported by the entire family.

Clyde D. Lane, Jr.,
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SUCCESS

"To laugh often and much; to win the respect of intelligent people and affection of children; to earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; to appreciate beauty, to find the best in others; to leave the world a bit better, whether by healthy child, a garden patch or a redeemed social condition; to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

CLUB DOCUMENT SUBMISSION DATES

END OF YEAR DOCUMENTS

- 2006-2007 "5 Presentations" pin list; "Alfred Garcia Award" nominees list **July 2, 2007**
- 2006-2007 Secretary and Treasurer Books **Sept. 4, 2007**
- 2006-2007 Club Program Planning Guide, **including:**
 - * 2006-2007 club budget, club inventory
 - * 2006-2007 club audit/peer review
 - * June/July 2007 bank statement**Sept. 4, 2007**

NEW YEAR DOCUMENTS

- 2007-2008 Enrollment & Insurance forms and fees **Nov. 1, 2007**
- 2007-2008 Outreach Efforts Reports **Jan. 2, 2008**

PLEASE BE KIND TO THE 4-H OFFICE STAFF BY SUBMITTING DOCUMENTS BY DUE DATES FOR ANNOUNCEMENT AT ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT AND STATE 4-H OFFICE REPORTING. THANKS!

BI-COUNTY COUNCIL NEWS



Bi-County Council Meeting

Thursday, September 13, 2007 @ 6:30pm

NOTE: NEW START TIME

All adult and teen leader representatives are welcome!
Contact the 4-H office at 822-7515 or e-mail Willa Davis at wdavis@ucdavis.edu to add any "New Business" or other items to the Council Meeting Agenda.

Council Meeting Minutes & Agenda

Now online by going to: <http://cesutter.ucdavis.edu/>, clicking on 4-H Youth Development Program and then clicking on 4-H Council Meetings.

Cal Focus Delegate Service Project H.O.P.P.s!

Margery Magill, Young Civic Leader Scholarship recipient, was the 2007 Cal Focus delegate from the Sutter/Yuba Counties 4-H Program this year. Along with Hannah Baber of Colusa County, they learned about California government and leadership, and met with Assemblyman Doug LaMalfa while at the conference. Both young women are members of the Guide Dogs 4-H Club. Margery is also a member of the Barry 4-H Club.

Their joint service project is *H.O.P.P.* (Helping Orphaned Pets Prosper). They are asking the community to donate gently used or new blankets and towels that will be given to the four animal shelters and rescue organizations in the bi-county area. Collection sites will be announced in the next Clover Chatter.

The ABCs Of Personal Development Through Record Book, Annual Project and Star Rank Judging

45 Sutter/Yuba Counties 4-H members submitted their Record Books for star rank, annual project and record book judging in July using the new Record Book system, including the use of the new Personal Development Report (PDR) forms.

Everyone who served as a judge had attended State or County training pertaining to the new Record Book system and agreed that *"we're all still learning."* While everyone who served as a judge approached the judging process with a flexible, open mind, they maintained a commitment of integrity to the standards of the Danish judging system on which the new Record Book is based.

Everyone agreed that the area needing greatest improvement in members' Record Book documents was explanation of what was learned (e.g., making videos to present to potential buyers was more effective than sending them letters); what was the level of participation in an activity or event, such as: organized door-to-door food collection for needy families; and what was the event (e.g., Free Tri-Tip Dinner and Cake Auction—not part of monthly club meeting). These expanded descriptions and making sure to count only the appropriate number of points per activity and/or event will ensure items qualify for the category.

Also, review the most recent version of the Record Book Manual for up-to-date guidelines and policies, and access the new PDR forms by going to: <http://cesutter.ucdavis.edu/YouthDevelopment/> and clicking on Sutter-Yuba 4-H Forms.

Additionally, join the new 4-H Record Book discussion list for the most up-to-date answers from Steven Worker, Chair of the State 4-H Office's Incentives and Recognition Committee! To join the list, visit: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ca4hrb/>

The Sutter/Yuba Counties 4-H Program's Record Book/Star Rank Judging Committee will also be sponsoring a training session again this year so that leaders and families can better help members record their goals and achievements in the development of their citizenship, leadership and life skills through project-based learning.

The following are actual and theoretical examples of what is allowed and not allowed, and what to include in the categories established by the State 4-H Office's Incentive and Recognition Committee. We hope they will help members, families and leaders as we enter the 2007-2008 4-H Program Year. The "Sutter/Yuba County 4-H Star Rank Judging Guidelines" booklet is currently being revised and will expand on the following data.

PLEASE NOTE: Attendance at 80% or more Community Club and Project meetings is still

required for submitting a Record Book for any type of judging.

1. **4-H Projects Completed:** It is a requirement that an "Annual Project Report" be completed and included in your folder for *each project* you complete *per year* in order to receive a high Record Book score, not just for the project that you're wanting to be compete in.
2. **4-H Project Skill Activities: Allowed** — Showed market goats at Fair; Exhibited art work at Spring Fair. **Not Allowed** — Attended Poultry project Christmas meeting; Serving at Pork Barrel Dinner fundraiser.
3. **4-H Events Attended: Allowed** — 4-H Camp; Club Record Book training; Horse Showmanship Clinic. **Not Allowed** — 2007 State Fair (hasn't occurred, yet); Y/S Swine Day (not a 4-H sponsored event); Rio Oso Pet Parade.
4. **Leadership Development: Allowed** — Organized club Christmas party; Teen leader in beef project; Club Sgt. At Arms. **Not Allowed** — Set up goat pens; Went to Boy Scout Camp; Gave speech at school on sports medicine.
5. **Citizenship/Community Service: Allowed** — Wrote thank you notes to troops in Iraq; Planted trees at a neighborhood park; Collected food for needy families. **Not Allowed** — Selected and brought swine for judging; Attended 4-H Awareness Day at Beale Air Force Base.
6. **Communication Skills: Allowed** — Exhibiting at County and State Fair; Giving presentation at project, club, County, Sectional or State level; Writing an article for Appeal Democrat, Clover Chatter or school newsletter. **Not Allowed** — Having your picture in the paper; Inviting your friends to a club meeting; Serving refreshments to buyers.
7. **Honors and Recognition: Allowed** — Best of Fashion; Young Civic Leader scholarship award (for Cal Focus); Reserve Champion in breeding dairy at Spring Fair. **Not Allowed** — Placed 3rd in Round Robin at County Fair; Blue award at State Presentation Day; Sold animal at Fair.

POLICY REMINDERS AND UPDATES

4-H UNIFORM: There is no uniform requirement in the 4-H Program. A uniform cannot be required for participation in any 4-H program sponsored activity, event, meeting or occasion. **Fairs do not fall under the jurisdiction of the 4-H Program, and may require their own clothing for showing.**

The California State Fair Uniform Requirements are stated as: "14. All 4-H exhibitors must be in 4-H uniforms when showing their animals in 4-H divisions or be disqualified from the class. The official State Fair 4-H uniform for girls consists of white dress, white blouse and skirt or white blouse and slacks, the green collar or 4-H tie and the 4-H Club cap. The official boys' uniform consists of white, white long-sleeved or short-sleeved shirt, green 4-H tie, and the 4-H cap. All shirts/blouses must have a collar." - California State Fair livestock Rules.

http://www.cdffa.ca.gov/fe/pdfs/StateRules/2006_SR_Book.pdf



Up Close and Personal with Lorene Conant and Judy Gardner

Lorene Conant started as a 4-H project leader about eight years ago and currently serves as the Community Club Leader of the Rio Oso 4-H Club that was established this year. She says that she became a leader because as an educator she wanted to see children learn as much as possible about life skills, especially responsibility.

Lorene goes on to say that 4-H provides opportunities to learn these skills through raising animals and other projects. She reports that she has continued as a volunteer because she enjoys the involvement and seeing the active culmination of kids' learning lead to going to the fair and all the excitement that goes with it.

Patience, organization and gaining knowledge are the most important personal attributes that a 4-H leader can possess or develop, say Lorene. Also, it's important to realize that you don't need to know it all as a volunteer, that you acquire knowledge and learn something new every year you're a project leader.

Lorene continues that it's the people who want to belong to 4-H because it's a good youth organization that is one of its strongest features. Giving of themselves and their time and promoting what's good for children's growth is outstanding. Her advice to new 4-H volunteers is, *"You don't have to know everything. Just giving of yourself and your time is wonderful. And, know that there are a lot of resources that the 4-H Office can provide to help you."*

Judy Gardner has served as a project leader for the Arboga 4-H Club for the past 18 or so years. She says she started when her own children enrolled as members because they needed leaders in the club. She has stayed in the program to help other children in the youth development program and to make sure the local community center stayed open for use by 4-H members.

Wanting to guide and help children learn through their projects are the key characteristics that a 4-H volunteer can possess, Judy says. It's time-consuming, but it's worth it as you watch them grow.

Judy says that our local 4-H Program is known for its animal projects and that they are the reason why many of the kids join 4-H rather than other youth development programs. Her recommendation to new 4-H leaders just starting out is, *"Be patient with the kids and listen to them. And, don't overdo it so you don't get burned out. Take your time and enjoy every minute of it."*

4-H Club Reports

Barry: Announces that Raeann Magill won in the Equitation and Hunter Pony classes she competed in at the State 4-H Horse Classic and qualified to compete in the State Fair 4-H Best of Show Horse Show this year.

Beale Air Force Base Youth Center: Announces that Jeanne Christenson is the Community Club Leader for the new club. She is busy promoting the club to base youth. Several adults have already been recruited to serve as volunteer project leaders.

Browns Valley: Reports that Eric and Wendy Jenks will serve as Community Club Leaders in 2007-2008.

Guide Dogs: Reports that Margery Magill recently presented Sicily, the black lab puppy she has been raising for 18 months to her new owner at a formal Guide Dog graduation. She is now training, Lindy, a yellow lab.

Live Oak: Reports that Danielle Coleman will serve as the Community Club Leader in 2007-2008.

Plumas: Announces that Erin Hastey placed 2nd in the speech contest at the State 4-H Horse Classic and will go on to compete at Nationals.

Rocky Hills: Reports that Martina Jones will serve as the Community Club Leader in 2007-2008.

Please submit information about your club to Willa Davis by August 15th for the September newsletter. Thanks.

MORE CAMP PICTURES



Learning new songs



Hiking to Bullards Bar Dam



Creating works of art



Being entertained by Mini Man

CAMP LOST AND FOUND

CAMPERS: In your excitement about telling your families about what you did at camp, did you leave behind any personal belongings? All that was left behind was retrieved and laundered, if possible, and can be claimed at the 4-H Office. Call 822-7515 and describe anything you may be missing. All articles unclaimed by August 17th will be donated to charity.

Sutter/Yuba Counties — 2007/2008 4-H Events Calendar

August	Yuba-Sutter Fair	August 1 - 5 @ Y/S Fairgrounds
	State Leadership Conference	August 2 - 5 @ UC Davis
	California State Fair	August 17 - September 3 @ CalExpo, Sacramento
	New Year Club Leaders Start-Up Meeting	August 30, 6:00 pm @ 4-H Office
Sept	WHY Conference	September 7 - 9 @ Triumphant Life Camp, Humboldt County
	New Leader Orientation	September 8, 10:00 am @ 4-H Office
	Bi-County Council Meeting	September 13, 6:30 pm @ 4-H Office
October	Farm Day	October 5 @ Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds
	North Section Council Meeting	October 6 @ Hosted by Sutter/Yuba Cos. 4-H YDP
	National 4-H Week	October 7 - 13
	New Leader Orientation	October 9, 7:00 pm @ 4-H Office
	Club Officers Training	October 20 @ 4-H Office
	Achievement Night	October 23 @ Whitaker Hall, Potluck @ 6:00, Presentation @ 7:00
November	New Leader Orientation	November 7, 7:00 pm @ 4-H Office
	Bi-County Council Meeting	November 9, 6:30 pm @ 4-H Office
	Bi-County Craft Day	November 10, 9:00 am—1:00 pm @ 4-H Office
	State Leaders Forum	November 16 - 18 @ Asilomar
January	Leaders Dinner/Bi-County Council Meeting	January 10 @ 4-H Office
	Fashion Revue Workshop	January 13, @ 4-H Office
	Bi-County Presentation Day	January (Date TBA) @ 4-H Office
February	Chico Swine Day	February (Date TBA) @ CSU, Chico
	Bi-County Craft Day	February 9, 9:00 am—1:00 pm @ 4-H Office
	Bi-County Presentation Day	February (Date TBA) @ 4-H Office
	Chico Sheep & Goat Day	February (Date TBA) @ CSU, Chico
Mar	Bi-County Council Meeting	March 13 @ 4-H Office
	Bi-County Goat & Sheep Day	March 22 (Tentative) @ Lindhurst High School
	North Section Presentation Day	March 29, Hosted by Sutter/Yuba Cos. 4-H YDP
April	New Leader Orientation	April 5, 10:00 am @ 4-H Office
	Bi-County Fashion Revue	April 12
	Grand National Rodeo	April (Date TBA) @ Cow Palace, San Francisco
May	Spring Fair Set-Up Day	May 1 @ Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds
	Bi-County Council Meeting	May 8 @ 4-H Office
	Spring Fair / Presentation Day	May 10 @ Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds
	All Star Applications Due	May 30 @ 4-H Office
	State Field Day / Fashion Revue / Presentation Day	May 31 @ UC Davis
June	4-H Camp	June (Date TBA)
	California Focus	June (Date TBA) @ Sacramento

CARING ADULTS WANTED

As we all know, our volunteers are the heart of the 4-H Youth Development Program. Help us to recruit caring adults you know to serve in this important role. Research shows that positive youth development is aided when youth develop relationships with caring adults other than their parents. Have them call Willa Davis at 822-7515 for more information. Thanks! ***“Those who can, DO. Those who can do more, VOLUNTEER!”***

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Yuba-Sutter Fair	2 Yuba-Sutter Fair State Leadership Conference	3 Yuba-Sutter Fair State Leadership Conference	4 Yuba-Sutter Fair State Leadership Conference
5 Yuba-Sutter Fair State Leadership Conference	6	7 Able Riders Club Meeting	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Able Riders Club Meeting	15	16	17 State Fair Begins	18
19 Guide Dogs Club Meeting	20	21 Able Riders Club Meeting	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 Able Riders Club Meeting	29	30 New Year Club Leaders Start- up Meeting	31	

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2	3 State Fair Ends	4 Able Riders Club Meeting	5	6	7 WHY Conference	8 New Leader Orientation 10AM WHY Conference
9 WHY Conference	10	11 Able Riders Club Meeting	12	13 Council Meeting 6:30 PM	14	15
16 Guide Dogs Club Meeting	17	18 Able Riders Club Meeting	19	20	21	22
23 30	24	25 Able Riders Club Meeting	26	27	28	29